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Transmittal Letter (1 page);  
Amendment C (5 pages); and  
A Petition for Extension of Time (1 page) in duplicate.

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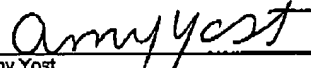
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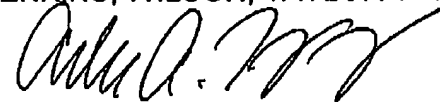
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1. An Amendment C (5 pages); and
2. A Petition for a 3-month Extension of Time (1 page) in duplicate.

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